

*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

1. (Currently Amended) An automatic announcing device for an elevator equipped with an announcing device for announcing a message based on ~~an~~ operation status of ~~an~~ the elevator, comprising:

voice volume adjustment setting means for setting a predetermined condition for voice volume adjustment;

control means for outputting a control code in accordance with the condition set by the voice volume adjustment setting means to set an operation mode of the elevator to a voice volume adjustment operation, until completion of the voice volume adjustment, and for outputting a voice volume code in accordance with the condition set by the voice volume adjustment setting means; ~~and~~

voice volume change amount indicating means for indicating ~~an~~ amount of voice volume change in accordance with the voice volume code output from the control means, ~~the announcing device being characterized in that: the announcing device includes;~~ and

voice volume data storing means for storing voice volume data in accordance with a kind or timing of a message; ~~and the announcing device changes a,~~ wherein voice volume of a message changes based on the voice volume data in accordance with the control code and the voice volume code from the control means and stored in the voice volume data storing means.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The automatic announcing device for an elevator according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that: wherein:~~

the voice volume adjustment setting means comprises a car operation panel including a plurality of buttons, the predetermined condition for voice volume adjustment being set through operation on the buttons; and

the voice volume change amount indicating means is an indicator of the car operation panel.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The automatic announcing device for an elevator according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that: wherein:~~

the voice volume adjustment setting means comprises a hall operation panel including a plurality of buttons, the predetermined condition for voice volume adjustment being set through operation on the buttons; and

the voice volume change amount indicating means is an indicator of the hall operation panel.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The automatic announcing device for an elevator according to ~~any one of Claims Claim 1 through 3, characterized in that~~ wherein the voice volume data storing means stores ~~in advance~~ a plurality of different pieces of voice volume data according to at least ~~a~~ content of an announcement, a target person to ~~which~~ whom an announcement is directed, and ~~a~~ time of an announcement.